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Diligent Search for Oil Will Likely be Successful

**Irma Field Looks the Most Promising at the
Present Time and the Field Will be
Thoroughly Proven.**

Mr. A. M. McQueen, Vice-President of the Imperial Oil Co., is quoted as saying in Toronto that the efforts to develop oil in commercial quantities in the MacKenzie river basin have been disappointing. A large amount of money has been spent, and work done, but so far without adequate results, and the strikes that had been hoped for have not been made. The same may be said of several parts of Alberta, where work has been progressing for some time with apparently no degree of success. That the company has closed down operations at most of their drilling camps, should not be taken, in any way as an acknowledgement of failure. Mr. McQueen states, that though the results, in the north country, so far have been disappointing, they have not been discouraging and it may be inferred that the company intends to continue the work in the northern field which has been begun at such great expenditure of time and money. The nature of the northern country, the great distance from railway transportation and supplies, and the conditions under which development work has to be prosecuted, makes it a long and expensive undertaking. For the present the great pioneer oil company appear to be concentrating all their energies in the Irma Field, a district that is well supplied with railway facilities, good roads, adequate water supply, gas for fuel, telephone and all the conveniences that are lacking in the far north country. And a district that can be reached in a few hours ride by train or motor from the City of Edmonton.

Ever since 1886 when Dr. Dawson, the Dominion Geologist, reported the discovery of oil bearing formations, along the Battle River and Gratton Coulee, reports have been published by such geologists as J. B. Tyrell, D. B. Dowling and S. E. Slipper who at different times have been sent out by the Department of Mines to investigate these formations. Many other Geologists, who have attained high reputations in their profession have always spoken very favorably of this district. From 1914 till the time when the Mackenzie valley loomed so high in the oil horizon, most of the territory has been held by would be oil companies or promoters who did most of their drilling on the top of an office desk. Several attempts have been made to put down test-holes but none of these got farther than the gas sands, although good showings of oil was found in at least two holes. It has only been during the past year or so, since the first promoters quit work, that the Imperial have been able to secure sufficient holdings to justify them in making the necessary expenditure to explore the field. It no doubt will require the expenditure of a very large fortune before a dollar can be realized for their efforts. But oil will be struck in paying quantities and the expectations will be realized. It may not be in the very near future, and it may not be at the site of the present well, but unless the whole science of modern geology is further astray than seems at all likely or possible, some part of the Irma district will prove to be a great oil field. One well will not prove the district, but it will be followed by others until the correct location has been found. Other companies are preparing for active development work which will be pressed forward as never before. The next summer should see some startling discoveries.

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL REPORT

The Ratepayers,
Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D.
No. 1.

During the early spring of 1921 a meeting of the Trustees of the school districts around Irma met in Irma and talked over school consolidation and decided that they did not want consolidation of the rural districts but that consolidation for high school purposes would be all right. A resolution was passed and sent to the Dept. of Education asking for legislation along that line. The school Act was amended at the session of the Legislature then holding, allowing of consolidation of several school districts for high school purposes and soon after the Act was passed a copy of the amendments was sent to the Irma school districts. With the assistance of Inspector Fuller, petitions were circulated in the several districts asking for a vote to be taken and Mr. Joseph Morgan, Supervisor of Consolidated Schools, came down and held several meetings on August 4th and 5th in the various districts and fully explained the school consolidated as outlined by the School Act.

A vote was taken by the rural school districts of Ross No. 2045, Alma Mater No. 3160, Sunny Brae No. 2075, Glenholm No. 2430, and Strawberry Plains No. 1709, the latter part of August and was passed by a good majority for secondary school consolidation. The Irma School District No. 2435 then passed a resolution approving of the formation of a Secondary Consolidated School District, thus completing all the steps necessary for the formation of the new district. The Irma Secondary Consolidated School District No. 1 was approved and a number given by the Department of Education on the 3rd of September and a Board of Trustees was appointed by the several districts; each school district appointing one from their local trustee board and the following board was appointed:

Irma—J. W. Wyatt.
Glenholm—J. B. Gulbraa.
Strawberry Plains—W. B. Peterson.
Sunny Brae—T. N. Sellers.
Alma Mater—A. A. Fischer.
Ross—J. H. Peterson.

The first meeting of the trustees was held on September 10th and seven meetings in all was held during the balance of the year. Mr. A. A. Fischer was appointed chairman and J. W. Wyatt, Sec-Treas to end of the year at a salary of \$50.00. Mr. John L. Hollinshead was secured to teach at a salary of \$1500.00 per year. On account of the late organization of the district \$500.00 were unable to open school until Sept. 29th, which was about one month late. The church was leased at \$30.00 per month until the end of 1921 for school purposes, we to supply our own fuel and janitor.

We secured permission from the Department of Public Utilities to issue \$2500.00 worth of Ten Year Debentures at 8 percent for the purpose of purchasing school site and fencing same, building frame barn and purchasing school equipment. We have given the Dept. of Education permission to sell the Debentures. The site consisting of 4.31 acres was purchased from J. W. Milburn for \$650.00 and a frame barn, 28x30x8 costing \$457.65 has been built. Equipment has been purchased up to \$900.00 and it will be necessary to buy some more in the spring. The total equipment will cost about \$1200.00.

We have asked the Department of Education for permission to borrow \$1200.00 from the Merchants Bank to pay for the site and barn until such time as the debentures are sold. It was also necessary to borrow \$620.00 from the bank to meet current expenses, covering teachers salary, janitor, fuel, and other small items. We have a credit against this of the Government Grant of \$4.00 per day for 60 days that school was open or the sum of \$240.00. On account of not having an assessment the year year of 1921 it will be necessary to add what we are short on the 1921 expenses to our levy of 1922 and it will increase the taxes in 1922 over what they would have been otherwise.

The enrollment was 22 pupils, 12 being high school students and 10 in grade eight. The average for the term was 10.86 of high school pupils

and a total average of 20.7 for the term. It will be possible after the next term to drop the eighth grade and still maintain the average of 15 required by the Act.

A barn was rented from E. W. Carter at \$6.00 per month until the new barn was erected. Insurance was placed on the barn for \$275.00 and \$700.00 on the equipment. It was also necessary to build one closet on the church grounds which we can remove, and a cupboard to place books and supplies in.

The school was inspected on December 14th by Inspector Fuller and a copy of his report is attached hereto. You will note that the Inspector draws attention to the fact that school was late a month in opening and that it will require the students to be urged on in order to pass their examinations in June.

All of the above is respectfully submitted.

—Board of Trustees,
Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D.
No. 1.

Per J. W. Wyatt,
T. N. Sellers.

Inspector's Report to the Trustees

On his official visit to the Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D. No. 1.
Date of visit December 14th, 1921.
Sirs:—

In my remarks to the Minister of Education, I have reported as follows on your school property, general standing of the classes and their progress, and the teacher:

Stables—newly built on school site.
Schoolhouse—Classes are being conducted in the Methodist church as temporary quarters. The church is satisfactory.

Equipment—Satisfactory for the present.

School records—Satisfactory.
Attendance—90.24 for November.
Punctuality—Poor.

General interest of the board in their school—Good.

General standing of classes: Literature 11, good; Grammar 9-10, fair; History 8, good; Algebra 10-11, fair; Art 8-10, poor; as far as could be judged from students. Satisfactory note books. Satisfactory progress is being made in Physics, Zoology, and Chemistry.

The Teacher—Mr. Hollinshead is a teacher of good ability. In his presentation he is thoughtful and deliberate, but he is capable of putting a good deal of force and vigour into his lessons at the psychological moment. During my inspection their was good discipline maintained in the class-room and the students appeared to be serious minded and earnest about their work. I am of the opinion that Mr. Hollinshead on the whole is doing satisfactory work but almost a month was lost during September and the students will have to be urged on at a fairly rapid rate in order to overtake their courses successfully.

It is unfortunate that the chemical supplies have not yet arrived. Lack of them interfere with the proper teaching of the subject of chemistry in Grade Eleven.

The new Consolidated School has made a good start. Judging from the enrollment during the present term the average attendance of 15 required to draw the regular grant will be maintained. I anticipate that the School is going to fill a real need in the community around Irma and at the same time prove a success.

E. L. FULLER,
Inspector of Schools

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

Annual School meeting Monday Jan. 9th in school. About thirty present.

The several reports presented to the ratepayers.

Report of Irma High School presented by J. W. Wyatt.

J. W. Wilburn, the retiring trustee nominated for another term of 3 years and declared elected by acclamation.

About an hour was spent in discussing the affairs of the District and the meeting then closed at 4.30. The following are the Board for 1922.

J. W. Milburn—3 years.

J. W. Wyatt—2 years.

R. D. Smallwood—1 year.

IRMA DISTRICT

Irma District is one of the best mixed farming districts in the West. Good soil, Good water, good grass, natural gas and Good Oil Indications. Good railroad facilities and good people. Boost for your district. Plenty of good farms awaiting development.

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A Time For Courage

There is no disguising the fact that conditions throughout the Western Provinces of Canada are not, at the present time, very encouraging and many people are faced with a difficult winter and some hardship. In this respect the Canadian Prairie Provinces are not so very different from other parts of the Dominion and other countries throughout the world. There is, however, no real reason why the people of the West should lose heart and indulge in blue ruin pessimistic talk. Such an attitude will not help, but will rather operate to further hinder a return to better times and conditions.

Present conditions in the West are bound to be of a temporary character and no country in the world is capable of more rapid recovery than the Canadian Prairie West. One misfortune and untoward occurrence after another played havoc with agricultural production and marketing this year, and while it may be hard for many families to maintain themselves this winter, their condition will be no worse, and in the vast majority of cases very much better, than the early pioneers of this country and of Ontario and the Western States had to bear. Yet these earlier pioneers held on, revealing a determination and courage which in due course brought its reward, and thousands of them are today enjoying wealth or a secure and comfortable livelihood. Yet they experienced harder and apparently more hopeless conditions than those with which the people of today are confronted.

The next few months call for the exercise of certain qualities by all people. First and foremost there must be individual courage, determination and energy the putting forth of every possible effort to meet and overcome adverse conditions; an insistent turning away from the dark side of the picture and a constant hunt for the silver lining and contemplation of all the brighter and more hopeful features of the situation. Secondly, there is need for the development of a spirit of helpfulness, even to the extent of personal sacrifice, in order that the more fortunately placed ones will rally to the assistance of the less fortunate. In a word, these more difficult times should develop a strong community spirit of helpfulness and co-operation.

While nobody ever welcomes adversity, it must be remembered that it is in that hard school that really strong men and women are developed. When everything in life moves smoothly, without any great difficulty or obstacle in the way, the individual becomes soft, loses initiative, becomes weak and lacking in character. It is the struggle to overcome, to achieve, to win, that makes real men and creates strong characters. The man who, overwhelmed by adversity, lies down, is a failure and would ultimately prove a failure even under normal and less trying conditions. But "the man who whiles is the man who can smile when everything goes dead wrong." And he is the man who will triumph in the end, and in the more successful and brighter days to come will look back with grim satisfaction and a deep joy to the dark days in which he struggled and achieved, and won not only worldly success, but strength of character to meet whatever life might bring to him.

Governor-General Given Degree

Lord Byng Honored By University at Toronto

The honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon Lord Byng, governor-general of Canada, by the University of Toronto. Following the ceremony, Lord Byng expressed appreciation of the honor and said that in the universities of Canada more than in any other place, were to be found all that was best and most inspiring in the rising generation.

Civilization and modern social needs, Lord Byng said, had advanced past the time when faith and a strong arm were all that was required of a man. He emphasized the importance of science and declared he believed the present horrors of war were due quite as much from the disappearance of the brain worker in control as from any other cause.

Miller's Worm Powders, being in demand everywhere, can be got at any chemist's or drug shop, at very small cost. They are a reliable remedy for worm troubles and can be fully relied upon to expel worms from the system and abate the sufferings that worms cause. There are many mothers that rejoice that they found available so effective a remedy for the relief of their children.

Too Walking Develops Strength
Walking on the heel is the attitude of civilized man alone. The people of the woods, who are much superior in their muscular development, all walk on the toe, as do the lower animals. Taking this suggestion, a French doctor is prescribing a course of toe walking for patients who are deficient in chest development.

Quickly Conquers Constipation

Don't let constipation poison your blood and curtail your energy.

Don't work properly take **CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS** today and your trouble will cease. For diseases, lack of appetite, headache and bloated skin nothing can equal them. Purely vegetable. Small Pills—Small Dose—Small Price

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Special Holiday Fares

Canadian National Giving Reduced Rates For Home Visitors

As the Christmas Holiday Season approaches many people in the West look forward to spending some time with relatives and friends in the East. Taking this into consideration, the Canadian National Railways have made arrangements to issue tickets at greatly reduced rates from stations in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Winnipeg West in Manitoba, to any point in Eastern Canada. These tickets will be sold from December 1st, 1921, to January 15th, 1922, and are good for return within three months from date of issue. Any Canadian National Railway Agent will be glad to supply further information, and, if you desire, will assist in planning your trip.

THE CAUSE OF BACKACHE

Only in Rare Cases Does Backache Mean Kidney Trouble

Every muscle in the body needs constant supply of rich blood in proportion to the work it does. The muscles of the back are under a heavy strain and have but little rest. When the blood to them lacks nourishment, and the result is a sensation of pain in those muscles. Some people, however, have a tendency to with the kidneys. Organic kidney disease may have progressed to a critical point without developing a pain in the back. This being the case, pain in the back should always lead the sufferer to look to the condition of his blood. It will be found in most cases that the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to build up the blood will stop the generation of pain in the impoverished muscles of the back. How much better it is to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the blood than to give way to unreasonable alarm about your kidneys. If you suspect your kidneys, any doctor can make tests in ten minutes that will set your fears at rest, or tell you the worst. But in any event to be perfectly healthy you must keep the blood in good condition, and for this purpose no other medicine can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can get these pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Balloons Rise to 90,000 Feet
Miniature balloons carrying scientific instruments for recording atmospheric conditions have risen as high as 90,000 feet before bursting, when the instruments are brought down by a parachute.

Mother! Clean Child's Bowels With California Fig Syrup

Even a sick child loves the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup." If the little tongue is coated, or if the child is restless, cross, feverish, full, cold, or has colic, give a teaspoonful to cleanse the liver and bowels. In a few hours you can see for yourself how thoroughly it works all the constipation poison, sour bile and waste out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers keep "California Fig Syrup" handy. They know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

Gains 70 Pounds a Minute
Earth, that is the world we live on, gains weight at the rate of about 70 pounds per minute. To be exact, the extra weight is 4,250 pounds hourly, or 69 tons per day. In a year the accumulation is 11,435 tons.

ARE YOU A TIRED, WORN-OUT WOMAN?

Every Woman Needs a Tonic and Nerve at Some Period of Her Life

Toronto, Ont.—"As a tonic and builder I can highly recommend Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to tired and run-down women. I am the mother of eight children and have frequently had need of such a tonic but did not know what to take until my sister gave me some of the 'Favorite Prescription.' It was exactly the tonic my system required and one bottle did wonders for me, so I take pleasure in telling others, hoping that they will give the 'Favorite Prescription' a trial and be benefited just as I have been."—Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, 261 Ontario St.

HEALTH IS MOST VITAL TO YOU

Hear What This Woman Says

London, Ont.—"I can highly recommend Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to expectant mothers. I was in a terribly run-down state. Very weak and nervous and suffered with nausea. I was miserable until I began taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, but my strength returned very quickly and my general health was better after taking it. My baby was strong and healthy, too, and has never seen a sick day."—Mrs. Harry Hiett, 15 William St.

Go to your neighborhood drug store at once and obtain this Prescription of Dr. Pierce's in tablets or liquid, or send for Dr. Pierce's Laboratory in Bridgeport, Ont., for trial pills, tablets and write for free confidential medical advice.

TO RETAIN GOOD HEALTH FOLLOW THIS ADVICE

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Drudgery In The Home

BY LORETTO C. LYNCH

An Acknowledged Expert in All Matters Pertaining to Household Management.

"By the time I cook three times a day, do the cleaning and the laundry and change them when they come home. I'm so tired that I do not want to do anything but fall into bed. I cannot afford a maid, nor even a helper once a week; but life does not look good to me any more, and I am eager for some practical, not theoretical, suggestion."

Oh, hand, I think you cook too often. Not to mention the fact that no child old enough to go to school should be dressed by anyone save himself. It takes patience to teach a child to dress, but to let him well spent, get rid of things that require much cleaning. Either send your washing to a commercial laundry, or, if you must do it yourself, invest in a washing machine and mangle.

To reduce time and effort spent in cooking you must plan your meals on paper. Since you want something very definite suppose you look carefully at this plan for three days.

Saturday

Breakfast—Sliced oranges, oatmeal, milk, toast, butter, coffee or cocoa. Luncheon—Cream of potato soup, bread and butter, baked apple, tea or milk. Dinner—Roast Hamburg loaf, baked potatoes on half shell, creamed carrots, cold slaw, cake, coffee.

Sunday

Breakfast—Baked apples, top milk, ready-to-eat cereal, toast and butter, coffee.

Dinner—Vegetable soup, roast lamb, mashed potatoes, canned peas, fruit gelatine, coffee. Supper—Cold sliced lamb, pickles, potato salad, cut cake, canned fruit, tea.

Monday

The meals will be left over from both Saturday and Sunday.

When cooking the oatmeal cook enough to serve on Saturday morning and again on Monday morning. When baking, plan to use the oven to capacity. Bake enough apples to serve at noon Saturday and at breakfast Sunday morning. Bake potatoes and have Hamburg roast and the lamb in at the same time. In preparing potatoes for the cream soup, boil enough to be made into mashed potatoes for Sunday dinner and salad for Sunday evening. Make enough cake to serve two days. Cut it in half. Serve the cake once a day and the other half might be served plain or sprinkled with powdered sugar the second day.

The baked potatoes should be cut in half lengthwise and allowed to cool. The white part should be scooped out with a spoon, mixed with butter, chopped parsley and sufficient milk to moisten, as well as salt and pepper, and then packed tightly back into half the number of shells, to be reheated when the lamb is put back into the oven on Sunday-morning for its last twenty minutes of roasting.

Thus, by cooking for two hours or so on Saturday morning, you accomplish, by planning, the preparing of sufficient food for six or seven meals. Soup may be made on Saturday, cooled and chilled in the refrigerator, to be reheated in a moment on Sunday. And who does not want a Sunday off to go to church or out for a walk or for enjoying a concert or a picture show? Try planning and cooking less often. You will be surprised how much free time this plan gives you.

The ease with which corns and warts can be removed by Holloway's Corn Remover is its strongest recommendation. It seldom fails.

Charity

Wearily Hobo—"May I cut your grass for a meal, ma'am?"
Lady of the House—"Oh, don't trouble to cut it. You're welcome to eat it off the ground."

Minard's Liniment for Distemper

Creation of Prairie Provinces

Organization First Started After Riel Rebellion in 1870

When Riel's first rebellion was put down in the latter part of the summer of 1870 and the government of the new Province of Manitoba organized, Fort Garry was made the provincial capital and the place was given the name, Winnipeg.

After the creation of the Province of Manitoba, the prairie country beyond was known as the North-West Territories to which in time a limited form of self-government was granted, and the seat of government was established at Regina, the name being the Latin form of the word queen.

In 1905 the southern part of the territories was erected into two provinces. Regina became the capital of Saskatchewan, and Edmonton the capital of Alberta. Edmonton had long existed as a trading post. Today the new North-West lies beyond Edmonton.

Murdered!

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Presume Dr. McKay Died In Arctic

Last Seen in February 1914 Bound for Wrangel Island

Edinburgh probate court has given leave to the heirs of Dr. McKay, a member of Stefansson's Canadian Arctic expedition party, to presume that the doctor is dead. McKinley, a member of the scientific staff of Stefansson's party, testified before the probate court that when the vessel was crushed by pack ice north of Herald Island, the party separated into two bodies and started on the land.

Dr. McKay's section was seen on February 15, 1914, bound for Wrangel Island, witness stated, and no further news of the members had been received. Undoubtedly, he said, they had perished in the storm.

Making a Speech

A Scottish minister was once asked how long he would require to prepare a speech. "That depends," he said, "upon how much time I am to occupy in its delivery. If I am to speak for a quarter of an hour I should like a week to prepare. If I am to speak for half an hour, three days will do; if I am to go on as long as I like, I am ready now."—Belfast Weekly News.

Camels die without warning, much the same as a car stops from lack of oil.

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Live Stock Breeders Should Bend Efforts To Increase Efficiency

With livestock raising acting, as it always will, as the main contributing factor in the upkeep of the fertility of the land and of a permanent type of agriculture, there should never be a time when the livestock breeder need curtail his breeding opportunities or lose sight of his goal—quality livestock for efficient production. In periods of low prices, it is sometimes necessary for the farmer to neglect the future in order to take care of the present. It may also be necessary for a farmer who lacks capital to follow methods which he would change under other conditions. But, in general, it is advisable to follow a system of livestock raising that will ensure a steady and ever-increasing return.

Such returns cannot be looked for when the breeder is handling stock of questionable productivity and working on an "in and out" system. Under such a system, he is usually "out" when he should be "in," and vice versa. On the other hand, the breeder who has high quality, productive stock and who looks on through thick and thin, reaps his reward when the law of supply and demand again raises prices to a remunerative level. It is not sufficient to stay "in." Every effort should be bent to increase the efficiency of the livestock. The breeder who did not get rid of his inefficient stock when prices were high were at a high level missed a golden opportunity, but it is no reason why he should let them continue to eat their heads off now. It would, in many cases, be more economical to give them away than to keep them.

It would be a gloomy outlook indeed if the foregoing picture had not its sunny side as well as its dark one. Practically every improver of livestock must be continually looking outside his own herds and flocks for new blood if he is to continue effecting improvement. Therein lies the sunny side, for even the breeder of high-class stock has been hit, though not so hard as the breeder of mediocre stock, and he has had to meet the falling off in demand by a reduction of prices. As a consequence, breeding stock of a quality to bring about rapid improvement in the average herd or flock can be obtained at reasonable prices. It is particularly true of sheep and swine and to a lesser degree of cattle and horses. Any farmer or breeder who feels or knows that he is handicapped under the present conditions by the lack of productivity or quality in his stock, should take steps immediately to secure improved sires to put at the head of his herds and flocks. Undoubtedly, there is no way in which improvement can be wrought more thoroughly and more economically than through the use of improved sires. If you have been using scrubs, replace them by pure-breds of the highest quality obtainable. If you have been using pure-bred sires, have given their progeny a decent chance and have not achieved any improvement, then the pure-breds used could not have been of desirable type and quality. Discard them and, when procuring others, demand and get even though at greater cost, sires from proven ancestry.

While the use of top-notch sires is one of the best methods of improvement where capital is limited, the introduction of a few choice females into the herd or flock, where capital will permit, will bring about the desired improvement much earlier. Let every person, then, who calls himself or herself a "breeder of livestock," than which there is no nobler art, bend every effort and grasp the present opportunity to put their herds and flocks into a state of efficiency that will enable them to produce economically throughout any kind of a seasonal or market situation. Bring back industry by being industrious. It is possible to be industrious and not accomplish anything, but not so with the efficiently industrious.

Very Far Away

Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson tells a story of a three-times wounded soldier, who listened to a conscientious objector and pacifist, tub-thumping at the Marble Arch. "The soldier asked him why he was not in khaki. Said the 'conchie': 'I am not one of you, militarists. I am a soldier of Heaven, and God is my Colonel.' 'Then,' responded the soldier, 'all I can say is that you are a long way from your barracks.'"

Among some of the tribes in the Arctic region, a man who wants a divorce leaves home in anger and does not return for several days. The wife takes the hint and departs.

For centuries in China a woman has had the choice of keeping her maiden name after marriage.

W. N. C. 1397

An Eyeless Needle

Invention of London Doctor Great Help to Surgery

The needle's eye has undergone several changes of location since, in the dim past, it was invented and placed at the end away from the point. In the first form of sewing-machine the needle was made double-ended, and the eye was placed in the middle, and the idea of putting the eye close to the point was one of the first factors in making a really practical sewing-machine.

Now, in the latest pattern of needle, the eye has disappeared altogether. This is a surgery needle for sewing up human tissues after a wound or an operation. For such use a needle with an eye has never been entirely satisfactory, because the double thread, through the eye and back again, inevitably made at one point a thickness different to the thickness of the rest of the needle. The blunt end of the new needle ends in a short tube, in which the end of the thread is permanently fixed, so that the surface of the needle is smooth and regular from end to end, and there is no longer any "pull" when the thread follows through the hole that the needle has pierced. The inventor, a London surgeon, has presented all rights in the needle to the London Hospital.

Dinner For Juvenile Exhibitors

Contestants at Calgary Winter Fair Guests of Honor

Eighty healthy, husky, rosy-cheeked girls and boys from farms in Alberta, were the guests of honor at a dinner tendered to them at Calgary. The children thus honored were those who were exhibitors in the baby beef, baby lamb and pig feeding contests held at the Calgary Winter Fair just closed.

It was an occasion significant of what is being done in Alberta today to interest the girls and boys on the farms in farm life. Every one of these juvenile exhibitors present at the dinner had brought his or her yearling calf, pig, lamb or pig to the show, and many of them had secured valuable prizes. One little girl, Miss Muriel Pritchard, of Camrose, had won not only a handsome gold wrist watch, but a cheque "big enough to buy a farm of her own."

Meat-Eating Birds Live Longest

Eagles and Crows Live On Average 100 Years

An investigation has been made into the subject of the longevity of birds. With one notable exception, the carion, or meat-eating birds are the longest lived. The exception is the swan. The average ages of some of the best known birds are given in the following list: Black-bird 12 years; black cap, 15 years; canary, 24; crane, 24; crow, 100; eagle, 100; fowl (common), 59; lark, 13; linnet, 23; night-hag, 18; parrot, 60; partridge, 15; peacock, 24; pelican, 60; pheasant, 15; pigeon, 20; raven, 100; robin, 12; sky-lark, 30; sparrowhawk, 40; swan, 100; thrush, 10; and wren, 3 years.

Studies Proposal To Bury Unknown Soldier

Government is Now Giving Attention to the Details

Arrangements for the burial of the unknown Canadian soldier in the Victory Tower will be carefully studied by the government. "We will have to arrange the details of bringing the body to Ottawa and also make preparations for its reception in the Victory Tower, either next Armistice Day or earlier," Sir James Loughheed, acting head of the government stated. It is not expected that the detailed programme will be completed for some time, although John Pearson, architect in charge of the new parliament building, is preparing plans of the location of the grave. This plan, it is understood, will be available for inspection shortly.

The First Umbrella

The first umbrella made in England was of olivine on a wooden frame and was so heavy that it took two men to carry it, a report states. Unfortunately, umbrellas in these days are more easily removed.

Gardens in Japan are laid out so as to suggest famous scenes in Japanese history. Miniature landscapes are arranged so as to recall well-known spots in history, and suggest the events that have taken place there.

Dictionaries are forbidden entrance to Turkey because the sultan is usually mentioned in such books, and that is contrary to Turkish law.

WESTERN EDITORS



Murphy Brothers, Louis E. and Luther E. (twin brothers), Publishers of the Leader, St. James, Man.

Made Spies a Specialty

Sir Basil Thomson Did Good Work During War

Under a big scheme of police reorganization that is going on at the moment, Scotland-Yard loses the picturesque head of its "Special" Branch, Sir Basil Thomson, who knows more about really dangerous criminals, spies, anarchists, and that sort of cattle generally than any other man in England. Sir Basil, who has been governor of two famous prisons—Dartmoor and Wormwood Scrubs—began his long official life (he is now due for retirement under the age limit) in the South Sea Islands, having been appointed head of the Tonga Government when he was only 29 years of age. His experiences in that capacity are most happily related in his entertaining book, "The Diversions of a Prime Minister," and he has a number of other admirable volumes to his credit.

His best work for the country was undoubtedly done during the war, when it fell to his lot to break up the huge German spy system which had grown up in this country while we slumbered in a false security. He could, and he would, tell some astonishing stories of those days—particularly about the pretty women who were engaged in espionage on behalf of the German Government. On the other hand, there was a certain number of young women who alleged either that they were German spies or under the influence of people of this sort. These, though not so dangerous, were scarcely less troublesome than the others. If Sir Basil should decide to employ his leisure in writing the story of his experiences during that period it will be, believe me, a book worth reading. From the Overseas Daily Mail.

Ice Cream Shipped By Airplane

Frozen Dessert Sent From London to Amsterdam

A party of Dutchmen visiting London were greatly pleased with a well-known make of ice-cream. To secure some for a dinner they were holding at Amsterdam, the Royal Dutch Air Service was approached.

Ice-cream bought in London before noon was packed in a container which was in turn placed in a bucket, the intervening space being filled with ice. The package left the London airport shortly after 1 p.m., on one of the Dutch monoplane expresses, and was delivered in Amsterdam in ample time for its proper place on the menu.

Inventions By Women

Many of Them Are Drawing Large Yearly Incomes

In spite of the fact that women are looked upon as the un inventive sex, they have a fairly good number of inventions set down to their credit. Women, when they turn inventors, do not occupy themselves exclusively with curling-tongs and clothes-pins. Many of them take out patents on agricultural implements, mining machinery, electrical contrivances and the like.

There are more than a hundred women who receive big incomes every year from their patents, and there are other patents which will yield similar fortunes when they are set afloat. One woman draws \$5,000 a year for an improved glove-buttoner. A patent clothes hanger is supplying another woman with a generous amount of pin money. The invention of new games and toys for children supplies many women with a regular income. In fact, all that women accomplish in this line is not known, because often the inventions are bought directly by the firms which intend to use them, and the inventor's name never appears.

A line where women are becoming increasingly inventive is that of patent medicines, complexion cures, soaps and perfumes. These articles are so much in demand and attention is so easily attracted to them that many a woman has achieved a fortune either through the merit of her magic formula or her shrewdness in placing it upon the market.

Motorless Airplanes

German Machine Stayed In Air For Thirteen Minutes

One of the most interesting flights ever made by man took place recently in Germany in the soaring and gliding competition for motorless flying machines. One of the aviators remained in the air thirteen minutes, "circling, turning and balancing like a soaring bird." He travelled six miles between start and finish, and at one time was at a height estimated to be at least three hundred feet.

The cotton weavers of the little city of Guingamp in France first hit upon the idea of dyeing the thread before it was woven and then placing it in the loom so that it would form a pattern of stripes and checks. Hence the dainty and pretty gingham so popular today.

King George's life insurance policies total something like \$10,000,000 in value.

THE BURDEN BEARER



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PA - O WELL, THEY'RE GET TO PLAY WITH SOME ONE.

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"Slaves" Help Wounded

In Asiatic Turkey

Desert Tribe Said to Have Descended From Crusaders

A tribe of little men who carry very long spears has recently been described by a traveller.

They dress in gazelle skins, have a cross carved on their backs and live in the neighbourhood of Mosul, in Asiatic Turkey, where they are known as Slaves.

They have no religion, but are very peaceable, and are noted for helping any wounded person or animal. This quaint desert tribe is supposed to be directly descended from the Crusaders. The Arabs despise them and call them wild dogs, but they are described as the "carpenters, blacksmiths and doctors for man and beast among the Bedouin."

All-Metal House In Ohio

May Not Be As Durable As Brick Or Stone

The first metal house has just been built at Canton in Ohio.

Walls, roof, doors, ceilings and cupboards, all are of steel, and the only wood used is on the floors, the noise of metal doors being too great.

It is claimed that the house is absolutely proof against fire, rats and storms. The interior walls can be plastered or papered.

The all-metal house is cool in summer and warm in winter, and it is believed that the one already built at Canton will be the pioneer of many similar houses all over the United States.

Of course the cost is greater than that of a brick or stone house, and it remains to be seen if the metal house is as durable. The question of rust is important.

A New Wedding Fee

Bridegroom Had No Money But Gave Load of Hay

Michael P. Tierney, a Northumberland justice, believes he is the only squire in the world who was ever paid for a wedding fee with a load of hay. A young couple from a nearby township, whose names he refuses to give, wanted him to marry them, but declared they had no money. The bridegroom offered a load of hay instead, and Tierney, thinking it a joke, agreed. The young man unloaded a load of timothy in the justice's stable.

Good Argument for Seed Testing

Recent tests have shown that often fully 40 per cent of the seed sown by farmers and gardeners is useless. As other series of tests, carried out over a thousand cornfields, proved that bad seed was responsible for the harvest yielding a third less than the ground's real capacity.

Some Burglar Alarm

Burglars will meet with a startling reception from a new "alarm" which explodes a blank cartridge, switches on electric lights and sets bells ringing all over the house.

When women borrow trouble they usually pay back double.

By advertising your wrongs you will add to your collection.

Make Hens Exercise

Very Necessary When Birds Are Housed For Winter

Feed grain in a deep litter on the floor and make the hens exercise for it. This will be necessary when foraging stops and hens are housed. The mash may be fed either wet or dry, and should be so regulated that the fowls will get about equal parts of mash and of the scratch grains. It is necessary to give the fowls plenty to eat to get good results, but the birds should always be eager for each feed. In cold weather feed about one-third of the scratch grains in the morning and two-thirds at night. In this way the hens are forced to exercise more than if they receive all the grain they desire at the morning feed.

Three Months In Hold of Vessel

Fifteen Chinese Stowaways Were Smoked Out

Fifteen Chinese stowaways, hiding in the forward hold of the Esther Dollar ever since the freighter picked them up in Calcutta early last August, were "smoked out" when the captain ordered the hold fumigated. They were promptly taken off the ship at Staten Island, New York, by custom officials and King Ah Ma, a fireman, arrested on a charge of smuggling them into the country.

"The toast was drunk in silence," wrote the reader on the blackboard. "James, correct that sentence," she said.

James went to the board and scrawled, "The toast was ate in silence."

In the country parts of Sweden the people wear no shoes in summer.

It's easier to be sensitive than it is to be sensible.

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YOUR PAPER

This newspaper—and every other newspaper, for that matter—has its shortcomings. It isn't perfect, never was and never expects to be. It has made mistakes and would never think of disappointing anyone by not making any more.

But we are a home town newspaper and that means something. It means that on these pages are spread week after week news and items that are near and dear to you. Admit it or not, that's the truth. When the baby comes, your friends read it in "the paper." When the baby has endured a sufficient number of school days to discover that Italy is on the other side of the Alps, you read her name in the high school graduating class. By and by there comes a wedding at your house and we rather guess you are interested in what the home paper has to say about it. In the same issue another reader turning to a different column will read through mist the sympathetic lines which record the last solemn ceremony in honor of one who once scanned these pages with the gripping interest that you now do.

It is a neighbor and your eyes brighten with anticipation each week when you find it in the mail. You take it home and it is a welcome guest. Every member of the family reads every page, and then again, fearful that some item may have been missed.

Then you wrap it up and send it to John in the city, and when John gets it, he be clerk or capitalist; judge or janitor, everything else waits until John finds out what "the folks back home are doing."

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WANTED: LEADERSHIP.

Many a community is in the market for far-sighted leadership.

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Post-mortems have been held exhaustively; there has been much talk, much shaking of heads; a lot of discouragement openly expressed and more openly revealed by attitude and action, or lack of action.

Let it be frankly admitted that there has been occasion enough to make even the most progressive pause. But that pause must be only a brief respite during which preparation is made for a gathering of forces to enter upon constructive effort which will attempt all that is humanly possible to meet condition as they now present themselves. There is danger of allowing the pause to become unduly prolonged. It was a wise observer who noted the other day that the only nation which can beat the world is stagnation.

CHURCH

For every family there comes a day when the church is needed. Never is there a failure to give the call. Perhaps it is a christening, a marriage or a burial. In any case the church responds. For the moment it is all important.

But after that, what? In some cases here is an interest in the church and is work that continues to grow into a solid relationship. More often however, the beneficiaries dismiss all thought of the church, once it has satisfied their momentary needs. The average family wants the church to help with its burdens, but there the relationship ends. If the church has burdens, and of course it has, there is a big element of society that is content to let the other man carry them. Such is the attitude of many toward the church. It is not a fair-minded attitude. It is an imposition upon the church and one that is practised daily.

Nevertheless if the attitude of too many toward the church is unfair, it is still a compliment to that institution. They unconsciously testify to the tolerance and good-will and kindness of spirit of the church. The imposition becomes a recognition of the worthiness of the church. For only the tolerant and good and worthy know how to let themselves be imposed upon.

However, the church has burdens just as individuals do, and someone must carry them. If the spirit of fair play prevailed, every individual to-day would be a bearer in part of the church's burden.—Minneapolis Journal.

The pitcher went to the well 999 times, only to be broken on the thousandth trip. You may fill your gasoline tank while the motor is running many, many times without an explosion; you may start fires a heap of times, and escape being blown to kingdom come; you may toss many cigarette and cigar stubs into the wastebasket or through the window on the awning or roof without causing a blaze; you may leave the current on the iron while answering the telephone or door-bell without even scorching the ironing board, and know how many times; you may pile your clothes, attic and basement full of trash and rubbish for a long long time without direful results; you may be careless with oily rags and mops and get by for many moons without mishap—but as sure as fate you will pay the price sometime, depending entirely upon your luck.—Ex.

ONE SENTENCE NEWS

How many times have you written it 1921 since 1922.

De Valera has resigned as president of "The Irish Republic."

The citizens of Edmonton tendered a civic banquet to Hon. Charles Stewart on Tuesday.

The Liberal Executive will meet in Calgary tomorrow to select a leader to take the place of Hon. Charles Stewart who is now a federal minister.

There is some talk of W. T. Lucas exchanging seats with Hon. Charles Stewart, Lucas taking Mr. Stewart's seat in the Provincial House and Mr. Stewart representing Victoria as cabinet minister in the Federal House.

NO PROGRESSIVE MEMBER

ELECT TO RESIGN SEAT

Calgary, Jan. 10.—It is a foregone conclusion for West Calgary, will not resign his seat in favor of the Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior in the federal house. This question was discussed briefly Tuesday morning at a joint meeting of the East and West Calgary U. F. A. political association. A resolution will be presented at the afternoon session the substance of which is that no Progressive member-elect in Alberta should resign his seat in favor of the minister.

Mr. Shaw was present at the meeting and in the course of an address stated that he had been approached in regard to resigning his seat in favor of Mr. Stewart. He put it plainly to the delegates that the only body who could ask him to resign were the electors of West Calgary.

IRISH PARLIAMENT

Dublin, Jan. 10th.—Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, moved in the Dail the appointment of the following cabinet ministers, which was ratified vive voce.

Minister of Finance—Michael Collins.

Foreign Affairs—George Cavan Duffy.

Home Affairs—Eamonn J. Duggan.

Local Government—William T. Cosgrave.

Economic Affairs—Bryan O'Higgins.

Defence—Richard Mulcahy.

MILITARY NOTES

Headquarters, Military District No. 13, Calgary, announce that Officers on the "General Reserve" or "Retired Lists" of the Canadian Militia residing within the limits of Military District No. 13, (Province of Alberta and territory of McKenzie) who do not report themselves each year to District Headquarters, in writing, giving present P. O. address, are liable to have their names dropped from the rolls.

The rolls are now being revised, and reports are due at District Headquarters.

More or Less Funny

A teacher in the school here was handed the following note by a tardy pupil from her mother:

"Dear Teacher
Please excuse Minnie from being late this morning as she had to wait until I got this excuse wrote."

"Have you forgotten that little bill of the local school board?" asked another on the street here yesterday. "No, but give me time and I will" was the reply.

There may be two sides to this disarmament question. The women folks are not liable to favor it if the men are to take the arms away.

Well, it begins to look as if somebody will have to pray for snow in Alberta this winter.

There's one nice thing about your enemies. They never borrow money from you.

One of our citizens says his friends must take him for a centipede. He received 17 pairs of bedroom slippers for Christmas.

A wild-eyed man rushed into one of the local stores Christmas eve just as they were closing up and shouted, presents? "Who are you?" asked one of the clerks. "Oh, I'm the fellow who has been urging everybody to do their Christmas shopping early," he replied.

I want to buy her a present that will show," remarked a young man to a clerk in a local store while searching for a Christmas present for his best girl. "That's easy, said the clerk, "buy her a pair of silk stockings."

If everybody was compelled to tell the truth a young fellow's proposal of marriage would be like this: "Will you take the job of doing cooking, washing and scrubbing in my house for life for what money you may be able to beg out of me?"

"I am greatly mortified to hear you stand at the foot of the class," said a mother to her young son who is attending school here. "I can hardly believe it possible," he replied, "why it's the easiest thing in the world."

A lady correspondent writes us an indignant denial of the old saying that a woman cannot keep a secret. She says it isn't the woman that gives away the secret. It's the people she tells it to that let it out.

Busy housewives are probable finding time to figure out how much the family won or lost in the annual swap of Christmas presents.

An interesting story is now going the rounds concerning an editor who comes right out and flaunts his ignorance. He declares he can't help his son with his night work when the questions asked are like these: "If it takes a four-month-old wood pecker with a rubber ball nine months and thirteen days to peck a hole through a tree that is large enough to make 117 shingles and it takes 165 to make a bundle worth 80 cents, how long will it take a cross-eyed grasshopper with a dill pickle?"

The editor of a neighboring exchange received the following communication from a subscriber: "Please send me a few copies of the paper containing the obituary of my aunt. Also publish the enclosed clipping of the marriage of my niece. And I wish you would mention in your local column, if it doesn't cost anything that I have two bull calves for sale. As my subscription is out stop the paper. Times are too hard to waste money on newspapers."

It is the custom in some churches to call on members of the congregation to deliver brief sermons to assist in the work. One young man recently was called upon to speak at a church in a neighboring town and selected as his text "Heal the sick. Raise the dead, Cast out the devil." He was nervous when he got up to speak and said: "My text will be 'Heal the dead, Cast out the sick. Raise the devil.'"

It was a nice decided spot—just for two. And the two were there. "You may call me Maybelle, if you wish," she sighed.
"The name I adore, as I do the lady," he lied cheerfully, "but please may I call you Maggie?"
"The idea—why?"
"That's my wife's name and I sometimes talk in my sleep."

The reason why men seldom care to read poetry after they are married has been discovered. Most poetry is about love and war and he gets enough of that without reading about it.

A man at Strome says that his wife is the most wonderful woman in the world. She is always wondering where he is at night.

When a girl says that she can't play the piano, you may be sorry if you make her. She may be telling the truth.

When they fall in love the young people think it is like a dream. But matrimony is the alarm clock.

A kiss is a peculiar proposition. Of no use to one, yet absolutely bliss to two. The small boy gets it for nothing, the young man has to steal it, and the old man has to buy it. The baby's right, the lover's privilege, the hypocrite's mask. To the young girl, faith; to the married woman, hope; to an old maid, charity.

A young couple stepped into a hardware store at Tofted and wanted to look at a mattress. "Spring?" inquired the clerk. "No we want it this winter," they said.

It isn't what a man says that counts; it's his ability to make others believe him.

MIXED HIS HISTORY

A boy in a Welsh school essayed to write on Henry the VIII, and a London paper reports him as beginning thus:

"King Edward VIII, was the great-estidower that ever lived. He was born at Anno Domino in the year 1066. He had 510 wives besides children. The first was beheaded and executed. The second was revoked. She never smiled again. Henry VIII was succeeded on the throne by Mary Queen of Scots sometimes known as the Lady of the Lake."

OFFICIAL LIST OF DOMINION CABINET

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Hon. Chas. Stewart, minister of the interior, superintendent-general of Indian affairs, minister of mines.

Hon. William Richard Mowtherell, minister of agriculture.

British Columbia.
Hon. Hewitt Bostock, M. A., minister of public works.

Nova Scotia.

Hon. William Stevens Fielding, L. D. D., C.E., minister of finance. Hon. Daniel Duncan McKenzie, minister without portfolio and solicitor general.

New Brunswick.

Hon. A. B. Copp, L.L.B., secretary of

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Ontario.

Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, C.M.G., M.A., L.L.D., prime minister and secretary of state for external affairs, president of the privy council. Hon. George Perry Graham, minister of militia and defence and minister of the naval service. Hon. Charles Murphy, B. A., K. C., postmaster general. Hon. Thomas Andrew Low, minister without portfolio. Hon. William Costello Kennedy, minister of railways and canals. Hon. James Murdoch, minister of labor.

OFFER REWARD FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THOMAS DACE, MISSING

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—(Canadian Press)—Dominion command, Great War Veterans' association, is offering a reward of \$100 for information leading to the discovery of the whereabouts of Thomas Dace, Edmonton Alta., first vice-president of the association, who disappeared while on a business visit to Winnipeg on December 23rd.

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Sunny Brae News.
A literary society was formed last
Friday with the following officers.
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ident, Earl Lennon; Secretary, Amel-
ia Hubman; Editor of the Sunny
Brae "Titillate" Heide Hubman;
Sub-Editor, George Newberry; News
Agent, Harry Lennon. It was decided
to hold a meeting every Friday af-
ternoon, with a short program.

Hugh Switzer has returned from
Vermillion where he has been work-
ing for the past week.

Mr. Sellers and Mr. Smart were
caught in the act of kidnapping a
number of our students recently. We
warn these gentlemen to keep away
from schoolhouse in business hours.

Mr. Fred Higginson had a double
barrel shotgun taken from his prem-
ises a short time ago, but the thief
didn't know how to use it so he
brought it back. The Literary society
takes this opportunity to prove that
circumstantial evidence does not al-
ways carry.

VIKING
Our hockey team continued their
winning streak last Thursday even-
ing when they took the Holden crew
into camp to the tune of 7 to 2. The
visitors showed considerable speed in
the first period and counted one right
off the bat. Before the period ended
Viking put on an added sport and
evened up. The second period the
Holden defense weakened, their speed
slackened and their goal keeper was
busier than a sandwich man at a cir-
cus. Six times did our boys slip the
puck past the goal tender. The third
period was more or less of a listless
affair. Both teams scored one apiece
before the bell rang.

Some of the Holden boys showed
considerable speed on the blades but
lacked condition. Our boys all showed
marked improvement in passing the
puck and in combination play.

A return game will be played at
Holden Friday afternoon.

The High School hockey team trav-
elled to Wainwright last Friday and
came home with a three to two vic-
tory to their credit. The game was a
real exciting and close one. No score
was made in the first period. In the
second our lads scored one, and in
the third two more while Wainwright
scored two. Basil Hilliker chaperoned
the bunch.

Const. Warrior received notice
Tuesday morning that James Albert
Wright, wanted for burglary at Veg-
reville had escaped from prison Tues-
day morning and was at large. He
carried a revolver stolen from the A.
P. P. His description is as follows:
Age 20, height 5 ft 3 1/2 ins., clean
shaven, brown rosy complexion, dark
suit, dark peak cap and wore white
rubber shoes. People are asked to be
on the lookout for strangers and in-
form the police.

The Viking Curling Club is repre-
sented at the Toffield Bonspiel this
week with three rinks as follows:
Graham, Slavik, Long, Angus Ross,
skip; Adams F. Ross, W. Collier,
McAthey, skip; Nyhus, Chedour,
Runyon, Kelly, skip. Here's hoping
they bring home the silver ware.

The annual meeting of the Viking
School District was held last Satur-
day in the schoolhouse and was at-
tended by several ratepayers. The
secretary's report, the trustees re-
port, the school report and the in-
spectors' report were read and ac-
cepted.

The election of one trustee fur-
nished the excitement of the after-
noon, resulting in J. L. Dadds being
re-elected as member of the board
over H. B. Giller, the other nomi-
nee.

Mrs. Jas. Aldred accidentally shot
herself with a .22 calibre rifle Tues-
day morning at her home in Holden.
The bullet passed right through her
chest and coming out through the
small of the back. Mrs. Aldred was
packing a trunk preparatory to leav-
ing for England and was in the act
of placing the rifle in the trunk when
it was accidentally discharged. She
was rushed to an Edmonton hospital
and at this writing no serious com-
plications have set in and good hopes
are held out for her recovery.

The band is busy again on some
new music for another concert to be
held in about a month if present plans
materialize. There was a good turn-
out Monday evening. Amongst the
new selections is a composition by
Mr. L. D. Green, a member of the
band, entitled "Back to the Ozarks."
It will be played at the next concert.
A committee consisting of Messrs
Jack Stowe, Evan Jones, H. G. Thun-
ell and B. Hilliker was elected to han-
dle the affairs within the band.

WANT ADS.
FOR SALE—No. 3 Keystone well
drill complete with tools, capacity
800 feet. Cost \$250.00. Will sell for
\$100.00.—P. LOVE, Vauxhall, Alta.
36-8p

Cattle branded OL (with half cir-
cle underneath) are the property of
H. W. Love. Kindly notify if found.
36-8p

FOR SALE—Leader Oats, cleaned
40c, also pure bred Chester White
Sows.—J. Fenton. 34-8p

STRAYED—from Sec. 2-46-8, one
Hereford heifer, yearling last spring,
dehorned and branded Z9 (with half
circle underneath) on left rib. Phone
304, Irma exchange.—Jamieson Con-
struction Co., Box 874, Irma. 35-0p

FOR SALE—Building suitable for
restaurant or store. 18x40 feet, four
rooms upstairs. Also 6 acres with
building 22x28, good well.—E. Shar-
key, Irma. 34ts

STRAYED from the premises of
Wm. E. Walker, S. E. quarter 34-46-
9, one light red steer, coming three
years old, with horns, curly foretop,
branded "Half Diamond under W W
on right ribs"—gone since spring.
Also one dark red bull with some
white underneath, coming two years
old, unbranded, gone since spring.
\$5.00 reward for definite information,
leading to their recovery.—Address
as above, Box 871, Irma, Alta. 34-8p

STRAYED—One 3-yr-old red and
white heifer with horns, no brand.
One black 2-yr-old heifer, no horns.
Black one branded AF (reversed F
with bar above) on left hip. If found
kindly notify G. Hogan, Jarrow.
36-8p

ANYONE locating cattle branded
32 over half circle; or J6 under half
diamond; or 2 reverse L under half
diamond; all on right shoulder; or
A233 to 7 over lazy X on right ribs,
notify G. A. Sisson & Co., Ltd. Irma:
36-8p

FARMERS having strays branded
reversed DB, half diamond under-
neath, on right hip, please notify
Erskine L. Cail, Irma 36-1c

BRAND NOTICE.
Cattle branded SY (with bar un-
derneath) on right hip are property
of SMART BROS., Irma. Kindly notify
if found. 35-9p

STRAYED—from 22-46-8 since
August, one red yearling heifer with
a little white in forehead, has horns
branded O reverse B, half diamond
underneath. Please notify B. OLD-
HAM, Box 994, Irma. 37-9p

STRAYED—to N. E. 14-46-9
about a year ago, red and white
steer with horns, bob tail; 2 years
old, part of right ear frozen off.—
No visible brand.—TSHAW 37-9p

STRAYED—to Sec. 36-46-9, one
2 year old Red Poll heifer, branded
F lazy A with bar over, on right hip.
—J. H. Elliott. 37-9p

SECOND HAND CAR— Stude-
baker car in perfect running order.
For sale or will trade for cattle.—
W. G. Stott, Irma, Alta.

STRAYED—from W half 6-47-7
With one yearling Hereford Bull (or
steer) branded "X under D56" on
right ribs; one yearling red and white
heifer, some brand; one yearling
white heifer, red or brown marks
about head, no brand. Any informa-
tion will be rewarded by G. M. White-
ley, Irma P. O. 37-9p

STRAYED—to S. W. 20-56-8 one
red dehorned steer, branded DB half
diamond underneath, on right shoul-
der. Owner can have same by calling
and paying for adv and expenses.
W. Clark, Irma. 39-41c

STRAYED—from N. W. 12-46-9,
one red yearling steer branded FB
(reversed B with bar above) on left
shoulder.—A. A. Fischer, Irma. 39-41p

STRAYED—to Sec. 2-46-8, one
dark red Steer about one year old.
Horns, no visible brand.—The Jamieson
Construction Co. Ltd. Phone R. 304 Irma,
or 842 Tegler Building, Edmonton,
Edmonton, Phone 2785. 39-41c

FRESH MILCH COWS—Have sev-
eral good fresh milch cows to trade
for young steers.—The Jamieson Con-
struction Co. Ltd. Phone R. 304 Irma,
or 842 Tegler Building, Edmonton,
Edmonton, Phone 2785. 39-41c

REWARD—\$5.00 for information
leading to recovery of Hereford heif-
er, yearling last spring, dehorned and
branded Z9 with half circle under-
neath on left rib.—The Jamieson Con-
struction Co. Ltd., Phone R. 304 Irma,
or 842 Tegler Building, Edmonton,
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A Famous Sea Captain

Late Commander of the "Empress of France."

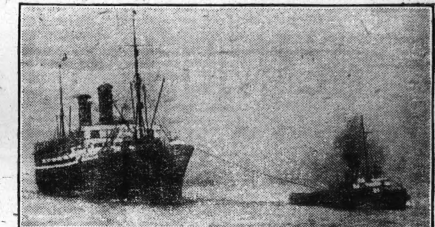


The Canadian Pacific recently lost by death in England one of their popular sea captains, who was Captain Ebenezer Cook, R.N.R., late commander of the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of France," passed away at his residence at Great Crosby.

After conveying Mr. A. J. Balfour and other prominent Peace Conference delegates across the Atlantic, Captain Cook was taken ill on arrival at Quebec. He was lying ill on the steamer on her return voyage, and when the steamer reached Liverpool he was removed by ambulance to his home, but too late to recover.

The late Captain Cook, who was 53 years of age, was a man of fine appearance, and possessed a most courteous and genial disposition. He was looked upon as one of the most capable commanders sailing from the Mersey, and he performed excellent service during the war years.

Captain Cook was born at Tayport, and joined the Allan Line in 1882 as fourth officer of the "Carthagenian." Within four years he was member of the Masonic Brotherhood,



"Empress of France" arriving at Quebec, on which Captain Cook made his last trip to Canada.

being attached to Crosby Lodge 3714, "Tunisia," and he became the Com-
mander of the "Oradian" in 1907.
On the commencement of the war
the Admiralty placed him in the com-
mand of the "Victorian," and later
he was given the command of the
10th Cruiser Squadron of the
North Atlantic.

Following the Armistice, the Cana-
dian Pacific Company retained him as
commander of the "Alsatian,"
which liner, following her conversion
from war service, was renamed the
"Empress of France." Captain Cook
has since sailed regularly on this
liner, and he was very highly es-
teemed by ocean travellers, including
such distinguished passengers on the
"Empress of France" as the Duke
and Duchess of Devonshire, Lord
Byng (Governor-General of Canada),
and the Rt. Hon. Mr. A. J. Balfour.

promoted to chief officer of the
being attached to Crosby Lodge 3714,
Commander Ebenezer Cook was held
manifested himself at the funeral
which was attended by a large
throng of mourners, colleagues and
friends. The funeral service was
offered at St. Luke's Presbyterian
Church, Great Crosby, the service
being conducted by the Rev. J.
Vaughan, M.A., Vicar of Great Cros-
by. Captain Cook was a prominent
member of the Masonic Brotherhood,

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CHAPTER XV.

In Search of Rest.

June brought all the young people home again. It brought, also, a great deal of talk concerning plans for vacation. Bessie—Elizabeth—said they must all go away.

From James Blaisdell this brought a sudden and vigorous remonstrance. "Nonsense, you've just got home!" he exclaimed. "Hillerton'll be a vacation to you all right. Besides, I want my family together again. I haven't seen a thing of my children for six months."

Elizabeth gave an involuntary laugh. (Elizabeth had learned to give very lively laughs.) She shrugged her shoulders daintily and looked at her rings.

"Hillerton? Ho! You wouldn't really do us to Hillerton all summer, daddy."

"What's the matter with Hillerton?" "What isn't the matter with Hillerton?" laughed the daughter again.

"But I thought we—we would have auto trips," stammered her mother apologetically. "Take them from here, you know, and stay overnight at hotels around. I've always wanted to do that; and we can now, dear."

"Auto trips? Poo!" shrugged Elizabeth. "Why, munsey, we're going to the shore for July, and to the mountains for August. You and daddy and I. And Fred's going, too, only he'll be at the Gaylord camp in the Adirondacks, part of the time."

"Is that true, Fred?" James Blaisdell's eyes, fixed on his son, were half-wistful, half-accusing.

Fred stirred restlessly. "Well, I sort of had to, governor," he apologized. "Honestly, I did. There are some things a man has to do. Gaylord asked me, and—Hang it all, I don't see why you have to look at me as if I were committing a crime, dad!"

"You aren't, dear, you aren't," fluttered Fred's mother hurriedly. "I'm sure it's lovely you've got the chance to go to the Gaylord's camp. And it's right, quite right. We should travel this summer, as Bessie—"

—Elizabeth suggested. "I never thought, but, of course, young people don't want to be lived up in Hillerton all summer!"

"But your life we don't matter," shrugged Fred, carefully avoiding his father's eyes, "after all that grind."

"Grind, Fred?" But Fred had turned away, and did not, apparently, hear his father's pained question.

Mr. Smith learned all about the vacation plans a day or two later from Benny.



Backache

Backache is the outstanding symptom of kidney disease. Women often make the mistake of attributing other causes and overlook the derangement of the kidneys until serious developments have made it difficult to obtain permanent relief.

This letter points to a treatment which has been thoroughly tried and proven so effective in the great majority of cases that you cannot afford to overlook it when cause arises for its use.

Mrs. Albert Brunet, R.R. No. 1, Ottawa, Ont., writes:

"I have used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for the past two months, having been afflicted with kidney trouble. I used two doctors' medicine previous to this, without any good result. A friend told me to use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and the second box made me feel a good deal better. I have now used about six or eight boxes, and am completely relieved."

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"Yes, we'll all go away for all summer," he repeated after he had told the destination of most of the family. "I don't think ma wants to much, but she's got on account of Bess. Besides, she says everybody who is anybody always goes away on vacation; of course. So we've got to go. They're going to the beach first, and I'm going to a boys' camp up in Vermont. Mellicent, she's going to a girls' camp. Did you know that?"

Mr. Smith shook his head. "Well, she is," nodded Benny. "She tried to tell me after he had told me. But she's got on account of Bess. Besides, she says everybody who is anybody always goes away on vacation; of course. So we've got to go. They're going to the beach first, and I'm going to a boys' camp up in Vermont. Mellicent, she's going to a girls' camp. Did you know that?"

"Is Miss Mellicent going to do all that?" smiled Mr. Smith.

"Bess says she is—I mean, Elizabeth. Did you know? We have to call her that now, when we don't force her to tell us. Why, we can't see her since she came back?"

"No." "She's swinging an awful lot of style—she makes dad dress up in his swallow-tail every night for dinner. An' she makes him and Fred an' me stand up the minute she comes into the room, no matter if there's forty other chairs in sight; an' she has to be standing 'til she sits down."

"An' sometimes she stands up a purpose, just to keep us standing. I know she does. An' she says a gentleman never sits when a lady is standing up in his presence. An' she's lecturing us all the time on the way to eat an' talk an' act. Why, we can't even walk natural any longer. An' she says the way Katy serves our meals is a disgrace to any civilized family."

"How does Katy like that?" "She says she's got mad," he gave notice of the spot. An' that made ma most have hysterics—she did have one of her headaches—'cause good-humored girls are awful scarce, she says."

Bess says, Poo! we'll get some from the city next time that know their business, an' we're going out all summer, anyway, an' won't ma please call them 'mads,' as she ought to, an' not that Belgian kind of girl. Bess loves the town. Everything's 'plebian' with Bess now. Oh, we've havin' great times at our house since Bess—Elizabeth—came—"

Benny, tossing his cap in the air, and dancing down the walk much as he had danced the first night Mr. Smith saw him a year before.

The James Blaisdells were hardly out to towarded Miss Flora. Mr. Smith started on his travels. Mr. Smith learned all about her plans, too, for she came to see him to talk them over with Miss Maggie.

Miss Flora was looking very well in a soft gray and white summer silk. Her forehead had its lines of care, and her eyes were no longer peering for wrinkles. Miss Flora was actually almost pretty.

"How nice you look!" exclaimed Miss Maggie.

"Yes, indeed," smiled Miss Flora, as she fluttered up the steps and sank into one of the porch chairs.

"Indeed, you do!" exclaimed Mr. Smith admiringly. Mr. Smith was putting up a trellis for Miss Maggie's new rosebush. He was working faithfully, but not with the skill of accustomed.

"I'm so glad you like it!" Miss Flora settled back to her chair and smoothed out the ruffles across her lap. "It isn't gay, is it? You know the six months, are more than up now."

"Not a bit!" exclaimed Mr. Smith. "No, indeed," cried Miss Maggie. "I hoped it wasn't," sighed Miss Flora happily. "Well, I'm all packed and ready for my dress."

"Why, I thought you weren't going till Monday," said Miss Maggie.

"Oh, I'm not." "But—it's only Friday now!" Miss Flora laughed shamefacedly.

"Yes, I know. I suppose I am a little ahead of time. But you see, I ain't used to packing—not a big trunk, so—and I was so afraid I wouldn't get it done in time. I was going to put my dress in, but Miss Moore said they'd wrinkle awfully, if I did, and of course, they would, when you come to think of it. So I shan't put those in till Sunday night. I'm so glad Miss Moore's going. I'll be so nice to have somebody along that I know."

"Yes, indeed," smiled Miss Maggie. "And she knows everything—all about tickets and checking baggage, and all that. You know we're only going to be personally conducted to Niagara. After that we're going to New York and stay two weeks at some nice hotel. I want to see Grant's Tomb and the Aquarium, and Miss Moore wants to go to Coney Island. She says she's always wanted to go to Coney Island just as I have to Niagara."

"I'm glad you can take her," said Miss Maggie heartily.

"Yes, indeed," she smiled pleased. You know, even if she is such a nice family, and all, she hasn't much money, and she's been awful nice to me lately. I used to think she didn't like me, too. But I must have been mistaken, of course. And 'twas so with Miss Benson and Miss Pennock, too. But now they've invited me there and have come to see me, and are so in this, without any good result. A friend told me to use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and the second box made me feel a good deal better. I have now used about six or eight boxes, and am completely relieved."

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"Flo, you didn't take any of that Benson gold-mine stock!" interrupted Miss Maggie sharply.

"No, no, no! I asked Mr. Chalmers and he said better not. So I didn't." Miss Maggie relaxed in her chair, and Mr. Smith's hammer fell with a gentle tap on the nail-head.

"But I felt real bad about it—when Miss Benson had been so kind as to offer it, you know. It looked sort of—of ungrateful, so."

"Ungrateful!" Miss Maggie's voice vibrated with a scornful gleam. "Flo, you won't—you won't invest your money without asking Mr. Chalmers' advice first, will you?"

"But I tell you I didn't," retorted Miss Flora, with unusual sharpness, for her. "But it was good stock, and he felt he'd got to pacify Jane. She took a lot."

"Jane!—but I thought Frank wouldn't let her!" said Mr. Smith.

"Oh, Frank, said all right, if he wanted to, she might. I suspect he got tired of her teasing, and it did pay splendidly. Why, 'twell pay twenty-five per cent, probably, this year, Miss Benson says. So Frank give in. You see, he felt he'd got to pacify Jane some way. I s'pose, she's so cut up about his selling out."

"Selling out!" exclaimed Miss Maggie. "Didn't you know that? Well, then I have got some news. Miss Flora gave the satisfied little wriggle with which a born news-lover always prefaces her choicest bit of information. She had sold his grocery store—both of 'em."

"Why, I can't believe it!" Miss Maggie fell back with a gasp. "Sold them! Why, I should as soon think of his—his selling himself," cried Mr. Smith.

"Well, they ain't—because he's repented. Miss Flora was looking a little faster now. "But why?" demanded Miss Maggie.

"He says he wants a rest. That he's worked hard all his life, and it's time he took some comfort. He says he doesn't take a minute of comfort now 'cause Jane's hounding him all the time to get more money, to get more money. She's crazy to see the interest mount up, you know—Jane is. But he says he won't want any more money. He wants to spend money for a while. And he's going to spend it. He's going to retire from business and enjoy himself."

"Well," ejaculated Mr. Smith, "this is a piece of news, indeed!"

"I should say it was," cried Miss Maggie, still almost incredulous. "How does Jane take it?"

"Oh, she's terribly fussed up over it, as you'd know she would be. Such a good chance wasted, she thinks. She might have made all that money earn money. You know Jane wants to turn everything into money now. Honestly, Maggie, I don't believe Jane can look at the moon now, always without wishing it was really gold, and she had it to put out to interest."

"Oh, Flora!" remonstrated Miss Maggie faintly.

"Well, it's so," maintained Miss Flora. "So 't ain't any wonder, of course, that she's upset over this. She's got to give in to her, let her buy that Benson stock. Besides, he's feeling especially shabby, because he's got the cash the stores brought too. So he told her to go ahead."

"I'm sorry about that stock," frowned Miss Maggie.

"Oh, it's perfectly safe. Miss Benson said 'twas,' comforted Miss Flora. "You needn't worry about that. And it will pay splendidly."

"When did this happen—the sale of the store, I mean?" asked Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith was not even pretending to work now.

(To be continued)

Fresh Air Counts

Good Walk Better Than Any Amount Of Medicine

There is no better tonic in the wide, wide world than a good walk in the open air. If your work keeps you inside most of the day, get up a little earlier and walk to work. It will make you feel better, make you better able to get your work.

As an old hunter once said, "The good Lord must have wanted everybody to get lots of fresh air and sunshine, that's why He made so much of it."

When you walk, walk briskly, breathe deeply. You will find that it beats any amount of medicine, and it doesn't cost a cent.

When you play, play hard; when you work don't play at all.—Theodore Roosevelt.

A Spring Commandment

In a big elementary school a teacher had given a lesson in an infants' class on the Ten Commandments. In order to test their memories she asked:

"Can any little child give me a Commandment with only four words in it?"

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"Keep off the grass," was the reply.

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We don't really mean dead nerves when we say it—that we do mean is a tooth pulp that has had its circulation stopped. A pulp is a little soft connective tissue with blood vessels and nerve fibres that is found inside the tooth and is necessary to the life of the tooth.

The pulps are very sensitive and delicate. If they are exposed, they in fact, they die sometimes when they are not exposed. Those that die without actual exposure have been irritated by tooth decay or improper use or injury, so that the pulp swells and its bony case and chokes itself.

The tooth pulp can stand pain, but more irritation than it can stand. It swells, but in its little canal inside the tooth there is no room. As soon as the pulp is irritated enough to swell over so little, the pressure stops the incoming of the arterial blood and the escape of the venous blood and then the circulation stops and decomposition begins.

It is very unfortunate to have the pulp in a tooth die. It is true that many times the dead pulp is successfully removed and the canal artificially filled so that the tooth remains useful for a long period, but many pulpless teeth abscess, decay, and filling of a tooth can't be a very difficult and skillful operation. Why not take such good care of the teeth and mouth that you will not take chances on having infection from abscessed teeth?

By keeping teeth clean and having many cavities filled at once the long, tedious and sometimes painful operation can be avoided. Sound teeth in good position and with live healthy nerves do not give trouble; they do their work willingly.

Deer Visits City of Scranton

A full grown antlered deer bolted through Scranton, Pa., streets leaving a trail of shattered windows and scattered provisions at its heels. The animal came from no one knows where, and has apparently returned to the same place. In its flight through the city the deer jumped through a large plate-glass window in a grocery store, scattering provisions right and left and making its exit through a door in the rear. When last seen it was heading toward the mountains.

The Next Best Thing

"Willie, where did you get that black eye?"

"Johnny Smith hit me."

"I hope you remember what your Sunday school teacher said about heating coals on the head of your enemies."

"Well, ma, I didn't have any coal, so I just stuck his head in the ash-barrel."—Boston Transcript.

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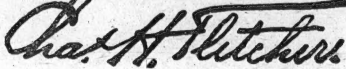
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World Happenings Briefly Told

A war memorial to the inhabitants of France collapsed two days after it was unveiled in Paris. Two were killed and one was injured.

Grandfather clock of solid walnut with Westminster chimes on eight rods, came all the way from Europe to London, Ont., and is to be sold at \$385. It stands seven feet high.

T. A. Stewart died at St. Luke's Home, Vancouver, aged 63. He was one of the engineers on the construction of the Canadian Pacific main line through the west; a veteran of the Riel rebellion and the South African war. He had lived in British Columbia for 30 years.

"Action by Congress within a year," has become the slogan of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Tidewater Association, the parent body of those who are working for the improvement of the St. Lawrence River, so as to admit ocean-going commerce to the Great Lakes.

A contract for a floating drydock at Vancouver has been awarded to the Burrard Drydock Company of that city, according to the Ottawa Citizen. The company is to receive an annual subsidy of 4 per cent, on \$2,500,000 for a period of 35 years, or approximately \$112,000 per year, the paper stated.

Frustrated in their attempt to rob the Orpheum Theatre, Minneapolis, four robbers returned to within a block of that place and robbed the Pantages Theatre of \$3,400. Patrolman John Moen, who frightened the handouts away from the Orpheum was shot and seriously wounded by them as they fled.

THIS WOMAN'S RECOVERY

Shows Remarkable Restorative Power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Chester, Ont.—"Before using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was a total wreck. I had terrible pains in my sides and was not regular. Finally I got so weak I could not go up stairs without stopping to rest half way up the steps. I tried two doctors but they did me no good. I saw your medicine advertised in the newspapers and thought I would give it a trial. I took four bottles of the Vegetable Compound and was restored to health. I am married, and the mother of two children, and do all my housework, milk eight cows, and do a hired man's work and enjoy the best of health. I also found Vegetable Compound a great help for my weak back before my babies were born. I recommend it to all my friends who are in need of medicine, and may print this letter if you wish." Mrs. HENRY JAMES, R. R. No. 4, Chester, Ontario.

It hardly seems possible that there is a woman in this country who will continue to suffer without giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial after all the evidence that is continually being published, proving beyond contradiction that this grand medicine has relieved more suffering among women than any other medicine in the world.

W. N. U. 1297

Direct Wireless From Australia to England

Premier Hughes Has Announced Details of Proposed Scheme. Premier Wm. Hughes has submitted to the Australian House of Representatives the details of the proposed direct wireless scheme between Australia and the United Kingdom, according to a cable from Reuters' Melbourne correspondent. The Commonwealth and the Australasian Wireless Company will jointly become responsible for financing the scheme, the premier stated, and the Commonwealth will secure the controlling interest.

The Commonwealth and Australasian Company will forthwith construct a high power station to carry a direct commercial service between Australia, the United Kingdom and Canada, according to the agreement. The main trunk stations are to be erected within two years. The rates generally will be two-thirds of the existing cable charges.

Premier Hughes, in submitting the scheme to the house, added that it was an alternative to the link scheme submitted at the Imperial Conference. The cable message adds that there is little doubt that the proposed agreement will be accepted by the Australian Government.

Few Boots Imported

Canadian Factories Get Bulk of Home Trade

Ninety-five per cent. of all the boots and shoes sold in Canada in 1919 were made by Canadian plants. Canadian factories manufactured 19,160,749 pairs of leather boots and shoes of which the value at the factory was \$65,919,129. In the fiscal year 1920-21, imports of boots and shoes were valued at \$2,206,121, and exports at \$1,411,335.

You May Be Ill To-Night Have You a Remedy?

It may be a disordered stomach, perhaps, or indigestion, or it may be that you have no remedy handy, you are bound to suffer. Twenty drops of Nervine in sweetened water will ease the pain and enable you to get a good night's sleep. Whether it is Neuralgia, Sick Headache or some other minor ailment, Nervine can be used internally or externally and will be a true friend for every family. Large 35c bottles sold everywhere.

Scotland of Course

He was giving his new aeroplane a trial, and all went well until he found himself directly over a football ground where a match was in progress. There was a sharp report, and a few minutes later he was lying on the ground with a group of club officials bending over him.

As he opened his eyes, the club secretary, with a sigh of relief, touched him gently on the shoulder. "Ah," he murmured, "I'm glad you've come round! I don't think you paid your admission money, did you?"

An Oil of Merit—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is not a jumble of medicinal substances thrown together and pushed by advertising, but the result of the careful investigation of the curative qualities of certain oils as applied to the human body. It is a rare combination of it won't keep public favor from the first. A trial of it will carry conviction to any who doubt its power to repair and heal.

New Use For Warships

One Serves As Fish-Drying Factory at Port Etienne

M. Albert Sarraut, French Minister for the Colonies, who is now at the Washington Conference, may be able, if consulted, to give useful hints as to what to do with the old battleships. Just before he sailed for America he made a tour of the French West African colonies, and at Port Etienne he visited former French cruiser Chasse-loup Loubat, which now serves a useful purpose. Ridding at anchor in the bay, it serves as a fish-drying factory. On its decks sixty tons of fish can be dried at one time. Port Etienne is the centre of a steadily growing dried fish industry and to the Chasse-loup Loubat all fishing boats bring the cargoes to be cured and dried.

Christine Nilssen, the noted opera soprano, died at Copenhagen, Nov. 22nd.



Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The World's Best Remedy for Pale People and Bladder Troubles.



Cuticura Insures Thick Glossy Hair

Shampoos with Cuticura Soap preceded by light applications of Cuticura Ointment to the scalp skin do much to cleanse the scalp of dandruff and promote the healthy condition necessary to producing luxuriant hair.

Saskatchewan Leads Canada

There are approximately 18,000 Boy Scouts in Saskatchewan now according to figures received from headquarters at Ottawa; 4,000 of them have been enrolled since last May. Saskatchewan leads Canada in the number enrolled during the past six months.

Halls' Catarrh Medicine

Those who are in a "run down" condition will notice that Catarrh bothers them much more than when they are in good health. This fact proves that while Catarrh is a local disease, it is greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is a tonic and acts through the blood upon the mucous surfaces of the body, thus reducing the inflammation and restoring normal conditions.

Druggists. Circulars free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

The Last of the Battleships

Launching Has Peculiar Interest at This Time

The Japanese battleship Kaga, displacing 39,900 tons and embodying in her armament and armor every ascertainable lesson of the great war, took the water recently at Kobe. The American battleship Maryland, with a tonnage of 33,500, had her final tests and the West Virginia, another ship of the same class, was launched at Newport News. These incidents have a peculiar interest at the moment because they may be the last of the sort to occur for many years to come. It is even possible that these are the last of the grim tribe of battleships—New York globe.

Ready-made Medicine.—You need no physician for ordinary ills when you have at hand a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. For coughs, colds, sore throat, bronchial troubles, it is invaluable for scalds, burns, bruises, sprains, it is unsurpassed while for cuts, sores and the like it is an unquestionable healer. It needs no testimonial other than the use, and that will satisfy any one as to its effectiveness.

Why Not?—"No, mister, I can't let you have a boat now. There's a heavy swell just come on."

Prophet.—"Swell be hanged; ain't my money as good as 'is'?"—Pearson's Weekly.

The Dutch regard a stork's nest on their houses as a sign of good fortune.

Some men waste a lot of valuable time explaining their actions.



MURINE Night and Morning. Keep Your Eyes Clean, Clear, Bright. Write for free Eye Book Murine Co., Chicago, U.S.A.

CORN'S

Lift Off with Fingers



Doesn't hurt a bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn. Instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers. Truly!

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the calluses, without soreness or irritation.

A Handsome Cape With This Dress



By Marie Belmont

Many of the new frocks are accompanied by capes which are fashioned so that, if desired, they may be worn with other clothes. This dress is made of green Canton crepe which is fashioned on simple lines. The skirt is elaborated with black stitching, while the roll collar is cut from black satin that matches the cuffs of the dress. The cape is of black velvet lined with green Canton crepe. It is trimmed with a handsome collar of black fox fur. About the outer edges of the cape's lining are several rows of black stitching that look most effective when the fronts of the cape are folded back.

For years Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator has ranked as a reliable worm preparation and it always maintains its reputation.

Cattle Shipments to Britain Increasing

A special train of livestock, including thirty cars from the Matador ranch near Winston, left recently on their way to England. The Matador consignment is part of ninety cars from the same ranch destined for export trade. Cattle shipments from all over the west to the British Isles are increasing rapidly.

Platinum Once Worthless

Platinum, which is now worth much more than gold, was once thrown aside as a worthless by-product.

The first pair of spectacles was made by Alexander de Spina, a monk who lived in Florence in the latter half of the thirteenth century.



BEAUTY OF THE SKIN

is the natural desire of every woman, and is obtainable by the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment. Pimples, blackheads, roughness and redness of the skin, irritation and eczema disappear, and the skin is left soft, moist and white. All dealers or Edmundson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Sample free if you mention this paper.

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When your head is dull and heavy

Your tongue furred, your bowels constipated, when you have no appetite for food, no strength for work and no interest in life; your stomach is at fault. You need Mother Seigel's Syrup, which contains medicinal extracts of more than ten different roots, herbs and leaves, which are wonderfully beneficial upon the digestive organs. Sold in 50c. and \$1.00 bottles at drug stores.

Canada's Fur Catch

Muskrat Came First Valued at Nearly Six Million

Furs taken in Canada in the 1919-1920 season were valued at more than \$21,000,000. Ontario contributed the greatest share, with Quebec in second place. The muskrat furs were first in value, amounting to nearly \$6,000,000. Beaver, marten, mink, silver fox, red fox, ermine, and skunk followed in this order.

LINIMENTS WON'T RELIEVE PAIN BETWEEN THE EYES

That pain is not rheumatism or neuralgia. Many folks think so—it is due to Catarrh, plain ordinary Catarrh and needs attention right now. Catarrh is the name of a wonderful invention that is daily ridding chronic cases of weak throat, bronchitis and catarrh. Every breath through the inhaler is laden with soothing, healing substances that destroy all diseased conditions in the breathing organs. It can't fail to help, because it goes where the trouble really exists and doesn't attempt to cure an illness in the head or throat by means of medicine taken into the stomach. There is no suffering from a grippy cold or any winter ill that won't find benefit in Catarrh, which is employed by Physicians, ministers, lawyers and public men throughout many foreign lands. Large size lasts two months and costs \$1.00. Small size 50c. sample size 25c. all storekeepers or the Catarrh Co., Montreal.

Must Be 18 To Drive

No boy less than 18 years of age is permitted to drive an automobile or truck for hire in Illinois, and every one who operates a motor vehicle for hire or compensation of any kind must have a chauffeur's license.

Buildings in Arabian towns are devoid of all decoration except door ways.

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YOU can't do your best when your back and every muscle aches. Apply Sloan's Liniment freely, without rubbing, and enjoy a penetrating glow of warmth and relief.

Good for rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains and strains, aches and pains, sciatica, sore muscles, stiff joints and the after effects of weather exposure.

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Sloan's Liniment

A Dominion Express Money Order for five dollars costs three cents.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound

A safe, reliable, regulating medicine. Sold in three sizes of strength—No. 1, 50c; No. 2, 80c; No. 3, \$1.50 per bottle. Sold by all druggists or sent direct to you on receipt of the price. Free pamphlet. Address: THE COOK MEDICINE CO., TORONTO, ONT. (Steady Market).

BOOK ON DOG DISEASES

And How to Feed Mailed Free to any Address by Dr. H. CLAY GLOVER, CO., INC., 118 West 114th Street, New York, U.S.A.

America's Pioneer Dog Remedies

THIN, FLAT HAIR GROWS LONG, THICK AND ABUNDANT

"Dandrine" costs only 35 cents a bottle. One application ends all dandruff, stops itching and falling hair, and, in a few moments, you have doubled the beauty of your hair. It will appear a mass, so soft, lustrous, and easy to do up. But what will please you most will be after a few weeks use, when you see new hair fine and downy at first—yes! but really new hair growing all over your scalp. "Dandrine" is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them. This delightful, stimulating tonic helps thin, lifeless, faded hair to grow long, thick, heavy and lustrous.



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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS**LOCAL NEWS**

Mrs. T. Beck made a trip to Edmonton on Monday.

Mrs. Guy Jackson is out of quarantine for scarlet fever.

Mr. H. W. Love has been away to the city for a few days.

Quilting is all the rage. Someone must be going to get married.

Mr. D. McPeck of Edmonton was a visitor to Irma last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones were week-end visitors to Viking.

Mr. J. Rea was a visitor at Viking Wednesday.

Mr. Geo. Clark was a visitor at Edmonton this week.

Mr. L. C. Hatch is shipping hogs on January 24th.

The Women's Missionary Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. W. Love on January 19th.

McDowell has a second-hand Cream Separator and Walking Plow, for sale cheap.

Mrs. A. D. Shaffner is improving after the operation she had for appendicitis.

Miss Olive Lindley of Vulcan, Alta., is visiting at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Elliott.

Yes! McDowell is writing applications for loans on farm property and getting them through too.

Mrs. Fleuwelling who has been on the sick list for the last few days has recovered.

Bessie Barker is mastering the beautiful art, and invigorating sport of skating.

The Gunghadin Tuxis Boys meet every Friday evening at 6.30 in the basement of the church.

Mr. L. C. Stephenson, oil magnate of Sunburst, Montana, was a visitor to Irma this week.

Prices have gone down on Victor Records to less than pre-war prices! 65c now at Derman's Drug Store.

Mr. Edward Goodale's home has been visited with scarlet fever, two children are ill.

Mr. James Elliott left Monday for Edmonton to visit his wife who is ill in the Royal Alexandra hospital.

Mike Giltner is endeavoring to catch one of Shaws cats but as yet has been unsuccessful.

Rube and Ted Barreth have caught fourteen coyotes this winter. Good hunters, eh?

Miss Bessie Barker is trying for the big car in the Bulletin Contest and has captured nearly one-half million votes. Give her your support.

The church is the most popular institution in town. For the last few Sundays every seat has been filled and some have had to go home.

The Irma C.G.I.T. group meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Graydon. All girls in their teens are invited.

You may order extra-parts for your implements any time from McDowell. But do not come for them without the price to save disappointment in 1922.

Mrs. K. Stewart and sister Miss Oline Hardy who has been visiting in Irma for the last week left Tuesday morning for Edmonton on account of the illness of their mother.

Mr. R. Herbert of North Cooking Lake, has bought the old Phoebe place from Mr. A. A. Dickson. Mr. Herbert intends moving with his family to Irma in the near future.

Mr. Jas. Elliott returned home Wednesday night after spending a few days with his wife who is taking medical treatment in Edmonton. Mrs. Elliott was glad to report is improving nicely.

The Irma C. G. I. T. group held its regular meeting on Jan. 6th at the home of Mrs. Graydon. Mrs. McDowell gave one of the series of lectures on the study she has prepared on "The Idyls of the King." The girls all appreciate Mrs. McDowell's interest in this work and wish to thank her for the lectures she is giving. The next meeting is the Missionary Circle evening.

Mr. H. G. Jamieson visited his ranch at Clark Manor last Monday returning to Edmonton Tuesday morning. Mr. J. Roche who has been looking after the stock, accompanied him to Edmonton. Mr. Roche has been suffering with a very bad cold for two weeks. Mr. Clark Steele will have charge of the stock till the foreman Mr. W. Anderson returns from his trip to Winnipeg.

LOCAL NEWS

Don't keep that cough or cold. Mr. Derman can sell you the remedy to stop it.

Mr. F. Peterson left Tuesday for a short stay at Sterlingville and Edmonton.

Dentacolor is the best tooth paste on the market for the teeth and gums. 50c per large tube from Mr. Derman.

Mr. Keith Steele left for Calgary last Tuesday, after spending the holidays with his parents at Clark Manor.

On account of the sudden death of Mrs. Jas. Plouffoot at Saultaux (cousin of Mrs. McLeod) the Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. H. Patterson last Wed. instead of at Mrs. McLeods.

FOX FARM FOR IRMA DISTRICT

Mr. J. W. Matthews on the Alberta School section has started a fox ranch in connection with his other farming industry. Mr. Matthews has built two good wire enclosures with pens in which his breeding stock is being kept. As the stock increases other pens will be added. Among the foundation stock Mr. Matthews has a fine black cross fox and we believe some silver grays. No stock will be for sale for some time, but anyone wishing information or advice on the handling of foxes, would do well to talk with Mr. Matthews as he has given considerable time to the consideration of the peculiarities of the habits of foxes while in captivity. Here's wishing William all kinds of success in his new industry.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Ross School 1 o'clock P.M.
Alma Mater 3.30 P.M.
Irma Sunday School 2 P.M.
Evening Service 7.30 P.M.
Tuxis Square Bible Class 8.30 P.M.

JARROW

A Xmas concert was held in E. C. D. building on Friday evening, Dec. 23rd.

The program which consisted of songs, drills, recitations and dialogues was a delight to all and reflects much credit on teacher and pupils.

Rev. Mr. Smith acted as chairman in his usual capable and pleasing manner.

The address given by Mr. H. J. Fleming, of the Royal Bank staff, was enjoyed by all.

Santa's appearance caused great excitement and rejoicing among the younger members of the audience. After a few words with the kiddies he proceeded to strip the tree which was loaded with gifts for the grown-ups as well. Miss McNeil was remembered with numerous gifts from her pupils. As soon as the gifts were distributed, Santa said Good Night and sped on his way after promising to return next year.

Miss Winnie Matthews is spending her holidays with her parents in town. Mr. Fred Holloway is visiting in Jarro.

Mrs. James, south of Jarro went to Edmonton this week to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Lucille McNeil, returned to Jarro after spending holidays with friends in Edmonton.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Jas. Holloway is doing well since the second operation.

Mr. E. L. Fuller, Inspector of Schools was in town this week.

Miss Laura Matthews returned to Wainwright, Monday night.

Mr. Stanley Lennox, Royal Bank, returned from the U. S. where he spent his vacation.

The dance in Metropolitan school, proved quite a success. Mr. and Mrs. Fuder furnished the music.

Cap Larson has been selling fish south of town. He has just returned from a trip to Cold Lake.

A number of young folks spent New Year's evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lindquist. Those present were the Misses Edith and Olga Lindquist, Elva and Gladys Larson, Hattie Knudson, and Sofia Lovig. The young men were: Pete Lindquist, Hans and Sivert Lien, Alfred Larson, John Erickson, Albert Knudson, Adolph and Overt Lovig, Vernon Lindquist, Ludvig Satre and Sonny McGregor.

Staying for breakfast seems to be the fashion among the young people south of Jarro.

Who is the young fellow who asked a girl if he couldn't come and see her on a Sunday, and was told to never come on a Sunday but on a week-day instead.

John Erickson took advantage of a nice moonlight night and gave a little party to a few of his friends. They all said they had a real time. Wake up all ye bachelors and follow the example.

What is that we hear about a chicken supper in Coal Springs School?

VILLAGE OF IRMA.

To Whom it may Concern:—The following By-laws have been passed and are in effect in the Village of Irma.

No. 21.—To regulate the running at large of Dogs in the Village of Irma and imposing a license on Dogs.

No. 31.—To License and Regulate Pool Rooms and Billiard Rooms.

No. 32.—To License and Regulate the use of Drays in the Village.

No. 33.—To License and Regulate Motor Lorries.

No. 34.—To License and Regulate Restaurants & Public Eating Houses.

In the Village of Irma.

All Licenses required by By-law No. 21 must be taken out by Feb. 1st, 1922 or offenders will be prosecuted. All other Licenses required by the above By-laws must be taken out before the owners can operate.

By order of The Village Council.

TUXIS BOYS.

The following are the qualifications for the Public Speaking and Entertainers Badges.

Public Speaking

- A set speech.
- Review of events of the past month.
- Participate in a debate.
- Review a book.
- Report the result of personal observation of the habits of birds or animals, growth of plants, processes of manufacture, place of historical interest, etc.

Entertainers Badge

- Do such a "stunt" before a group of at least five persons, as recite well a standard classical or humorous selection, play an instrumental solo, sing a solo, etc.
- Participate with others publicly in:
 - An Historical Pageant
 - Amateur Dramatics
 - Mock Trial
 - Folk Dancing
 - Glee Club concert or Minstrel show
 - Indian Play in Rhythmic-Pantomime.

C. Know the value of the art of story-telling and entertain a group of not less than five persons by telling well a good story.

- Promote, organize and conduct successfully for a group of not less than five persons, a party, sleigh-ride, Tuxis square social evening, club reception or similar function.

TRAIL RANGERS.

On Saturday afternoon Jan. 14th the Wainwright Trail Rangers play the Irma Trail Rangers in a game of hockey on the Irma rink. Come and help the boys along.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

A shipment of chemical apparatus has arrived. The physical and chemical equipment is now completed with the exception of a few minor articles which were not in stock. The value of both physical and chemical equipment is \$202.00.

The colors of the Irma High School have been changed from green, red and purple, to green red and blue. There was a difficulty in obtaining purple, in the local stores.

Tom Askin has resigned as president of the Literary Society, and as editor of the school paper. Tom's duties as mentor of the Trail Rangers, and as a member of the cabinet of the "Boy's Parliament, and incidentally his school work was too much Tom says. We wish to congratulate Tom on the excellent work he did while in office.

William Wold was elected as president and Cecil Askin as editor.

On the evening of January 9th, two sleigh loads of young people sprang a surprise birthday party on Cecil Askin, at the home of his parents. The evening was spent with games music and dancing. Supper was then served.

Those present were: Mr. Hollinshead, Dale Hoover, Miss Kye, Lorene Hoover, Mildred Allen, Leslie Lennox and William Wold. We all join in wishing Cecil many happy birthdays in the future.

On Monday evening the skaters of Irma joined for a skating party on the rink. Skating was carried on in the moonlight till about ten o'clock. A bon-fire gave light and heat for changing skates. Owing to the cracks in the ice, several went home with sore knees, but we hope to have the rink flooded before the next skating party.

Last Friday Cecil and Tom Askin had a runaway. As they were crossing the grade in front of Mr. Jarkin's shoe repair shop, a dog scared the team. They skidded, the cutter skidding off the grade and upset throwing the boys out. The team was stopped after running at random through town. No damage was done.

OIL NEWS.

Four thousand acres of oil leases in the Monitor field, including the big Knuckle dome structure, have been sold by the Calgary syndicate, which has large holdings in that territory, to an English company which will start drilling operations in the spring. This property is located about six miles south of Monitor, and lies just north of the Imperial holdings and their well site; it is just south of the Mud Butte well site, while the Talpays holdings are still further north, adjoining the town of Monitor. J. O. Williams, the Calgary geologist, who was one of the first of his profession to become enthusiastic over the field, is a member of the syndicate and opened negotiations with the purchasers, who have their headquarters in Edmonton.

Final negotiations were concluded by A. D. McDermid, of Calgary, one of the largest shareholders in the syndicate, and who has been prominent in oil development for some years past.

Ample capital is behind the English purchasers and it is understood they will not only develop their leases in the Monitor district in the but other fields in which they have secured holdings.—Market Examiner

EFFORTS TO DEVELOP COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF OIL IN NORTH SO FAR DISAPPOINTING SAYS A. H. McQUEEN

Toronto, Dec. 30th.—Efforts to develop commercial production of oil in the Mackenzie river basin have so far proved disappointing, but not discouraging, according to A. H. McQueen, vice-president of the Imperial Oil Company, who made an exhaustive survey of attempts to discover commercial oil in the Canadian far north, before the session of the engineering section of the scientists convention last night.

NOTES FROM FABYAN WELL.

The big rotary drill at the Imperial Oil company's well north of Fabyan is still making good headway. Since the arrival of the new Reed Roller drill very little time has been lost on account of the hard formations which have been encountered in the shale beds. The Company have had "No Trespassing" signs placed around the camp so as to keep the curious public from getting in the way of the men while moving the casing and other machinery around the big rig. No information can be secured from the men working on the drill, but think we are safe in saying the drill has passed the 1,000 foot level. A car of machinery containing the equipment for the standard drill is supposed to be on the way to Fabyan. It is presumed that the rotary drill will be used to the 2,000 or 2,200 foot level, when the standard tools will be installed. This will depend of course upon the formation encountered at the above levels. With no mishaps the men should be through with the rotary drill by the end of this month, and ten days or two weeks should be sufficient for installing the standard equipment.

Mr. L. C. Stevenson, a prominent oil man from Sunburst, Montana was in Irma the first of the week, and predicted great development for the oil industry both in Montana and eastern Alberta during the next season.

G.W.V.A. Elect Officers

The annual meeting of the G. W. V. A. was held January 7th, when the following officers for the present year were appointed.

President—Comrade W. Brooks
1st Vice-Pres.—Comrade A. E. Drew
2nd Vice-Pres.—Comrade W. E. Ink.

Secretary—Comrade Wm. Thorpe
General Committee—Comrades Moore Askin, Love and Williams.

A vote of thanks was passed to the late President, Comrade Askin, and Secretary, Comrade Williams for the good work they had done during their term of office.

The next meeting will be held on the first Sunday in February (5) at 2 o'clock when all members of the G. W. V. A. are requested to be present. Also every returned soldier who is not a member of the Local Branch here is especially invited.

IMPOUNDED

Impounded in the municipal pound kept by John Watson, on S. E. 22-46-9 W4th, on Jan. 7th. One brown Gray Mare, weight 1,100 to 1,200 lbs. Left front and two hind feet white. Branded "lazy D" on top of A, br of A indistinct" on left shoulder.